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Crimes resurface on Mysuru-Bengaluru Highway

Mysuru family escapes attack near Mandya

The car which was attacked and window glass damaged by miscreants.

Mysuru, Sept. 17 (RK, KS&BCT)- After a lull of about four months, robberies and attempts to rob people on Mysuru-Bengaluru National Highway-275, particularly during the night and early morning hours, have resurfaced, alarming travellers. This resurgence comes despite Police assurances of 24x7 patrols and the installation of AI-powered cameras at multiple locations along the Highway.

In a shocking incident, a Mysuru family narrowly escaped an attack by miscreants attempting to rob them on the Mysuru-Bengaluru Highway near Mandya. The incident occurred around 1 am on the intervening night of Sept. 12 and 13.

(See MYSURU FAMILY on page 7)

Countdown for Mysuru Dasara-2024

Utsava Murthy of Chamundeshwari handed over to Temple Authority

The idol of Goddess Chamundeshwari being handed over to Hill Temple Authority Secretary M.J. Roopa in the presence of Palace Board Deputy Director T.S. Subramanya yesterday.

Mysuru, Sept. 17 (PM&BS)- Ahead of *Nada Habba* Mysuru Dasara-2024, scheduled to be held from Oct. 3 to 12, the Mysore Palace Board handed over the Utsava Murthy (idol) of Goddess Chamundeshwari to Sri Chamundeshwari Kshetra Development Authority here on Monday.

Palace Board Deputy Director T.S. Subramanya handed over the idol, made of *panchaloha* (alloy of five metals), to the Secretary of Sri Chamundeshwari Temple Authority, M.J. Roopa at Mysore Palace.

(See UTSAVA MURTHY on page 7)

Hill Temple devotees denied laddu prasada

Mysuru, Sept. 17 (BLU&BS)- Of late, laddu prasada is not adequately available to the devotees of Goddess Sri Chamundeshwari Temple atop Chamundi Hill, which they prefer to carry home after paying their obeisance to the presiding deity.

The inadequate supply of laddus is attributed to the complaints of mismanagement, especially after the administration of the Hill Temple was delegated to the newly formed Sri Chamundeshwari Kshetra Development Authority. It has been a week since laddus are sparsely available, rued a section of devotees yesterday while speaking to *Star of Mysore*.

Previous system

Prior to the formation of Temple Authority, the laddus were available throughout the day from morning till night, without giving room for any complaints. Apart from locals, the devotees who came from various parts of the country and also abroad had a taste for the laddu prasada available at this temple.

(See LADDU PRASADA on page 7)

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"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Tuesday 17th September 2024

DLs distributed to women drivers of 'Swachha Vahini'

Mysuru, Sept. 17 (VNS) - Social Welfare and Mysuru District In-charge Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa distributed Driver's Licences (DLs) to women drivers of 'Swachha Vahini,' belonging to Self Help Groups and working in various Gram Panchayats at a function held at Zilla Panchayat auditorium, here recently.

The women have been given the in-charge of transporting the solid wastes in their respective jurisdictions in various villages of Mysuru district.

Speaking on the occasion, Dr. Mahadevappa said that a total of 176 women had been trained to drive 'Swachha Vahinis' and advised the women not to get disheartened in case of being belittled by people but to continue their work.

The Minister instructed the officials to organise skill development programme in rural areas to empower the women.

He also distributed cheques to the family members of deceased GP employees who had succumbed to COVID-19 and urged them not to splurge the money but to make use of it judiciously for the welfare of their families.

ZP CEO K.M. Gayathri, Deputy Secretary Savitha, Chief Planning Officer Prabhuswamy and others were present.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

BENGALURU DARSHAN IN CHANDIGARH: ***After spending five months braving the chilly winter at home in Chandigarh, I returned to my*** *karma bhoomi,* ***Bengaluru. The first thing I did on my return was not to pay my respects at one of the local pubs that keep me company on weekends, but to eat at my neighbourhood Udupi restaurant.***

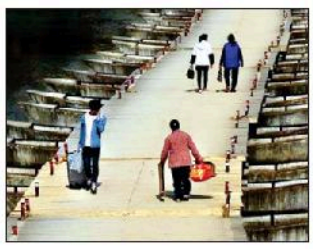
Bengaluru's *darshinis* ***and Udupi restaurants are the Swiss knives of local eating. On the days when my cook decides to take off and I'm too lazy to cook, the neighbourhood Udupi restaurant provides me the comfort of homely food without burning a hole in my pocket or the guilt of piling up calories. On busy afternoons, the*** *darshini* ***doubles up as the perfect spot for a reinvigorating cup of filter coffee and other snacks to fuel me through the rest of the day. And then there is breakfast, a complicated yet delectable affair at any*** *darshini,* ***with options ranging from*** *idlis* ***once described by Vir Sanghvi on Instagram as white, fluffy clouds of rice; the crispy, buttery goodness of the*** *masala dosa;* ***the deep-fried*** *vadas;* ***and the heady brew of a South Indian filter coffee.***

On my recent visit back home to Chandigarh, I was surprised to find myself — a thorough Punjabi — craving a ghee *podi idli, masala dosa* ***and a glass of authentic coffee just a week after I landed. My tenacity led me to discover a wonderful restaurant run by a first-generation Shetty gentleman that was able to whip up a delectable South Indian breakfast just the way I like it in Bengaluru. In the five months that I spent in Chandigarh, this ended up being my most favoured meal, despite Chandigarh being the home of India's best*** *tandoori* ***chicken and butter chicken. My staunchly non-vegetarian family was on the verge of disowning me before they tasted the*** *dosa* ***that I had so liked. That I was now disloyal to our family's favourite butter chicken spot in favour of the*** *masala dosa* ***wasn't taken very lightly, and I had a tough time proving that I enjoyed having my foot in both camps.***

— Rishabh Kochhar in Deccan Herald

NEWS SPARKLERS

Man builds bridge for village, gets jailed

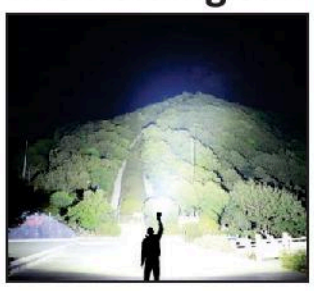


Beijing: A man who built a bridge for an isolated village using his own money was fined multiple times and ultimately given prison time for the unauthorised structure.

The bridge was welcomed by the community and people were more than happy to pay a small toll to Huang for using it, as it was much cheaper and less time consuming than driving 70 km to the nearest authorized bridge. But four years later, the Taonan Water Affairs Authority came knocking, ordering the dismantling of the bridge and accusing Huang and his family of illegally profiting from it.

Investigations revealed that Huang had charged vehicles over 52,000 yuan (7,300 dollars) since 2005, and he was originally sentenced to 2 years in prison and another 2 years of probation.

Brightest flashlight feels like holding sun



New York: IMALENT MS32 Brightest Flashlight is capable of outputting up to 200,000 lumens of light, more than any other commercially available flashlight.

The flashlight is so incredibly powerful that the only other flashlight you can even compare it to is the Imalent MS18, the previous holder of the title of 'world's brightest flashlight'. And that one was virtually half as powerful as the MS32, with a peak brightness of "just" 100,000 lumens.

The LED-powered light beam of the Imalent MS32 can reach as far as 1,618 meters and is the equivalent of 100 car lights in terms of brightness.

Not only can it reach a peak brightness of 200,000 lumens on turn-on, but it can easily maintain a brightness of around 40,000 lumens for up to 40 minutes.

HEALTH CAPSULE

Seek Help for Severe Burns: For large or severe burns, cover the burn with a clean cloth and seek emergency medical attention immediately.

By Dr. Amoghavarsha - Emergency Specialist
Manipal Hospital, Mysore

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LIFE'S ON

** Health Capsule is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature*

6,505 cases settled at Natl. Lok Adalat

Mysuru, Sept.17 (BLU&DM)- As many as 6,505 cases were settled at the third National Lok Adalat of the year held at the courts in the city and across the district on Saturday.

The Adalat saw the reunion of 31 warring couples, who had filed for divorce.

A total of 9,123 identified cases were taken up at the Lok Adalat for settlement, out of which 6,505 cases were settled amicably at the end of the day. The Adalat saw an amicable settlement of claims totally valued at Rs.36.02 lakh.

The Adalat took place under the guidance of Principal District and Sessions Court Judge Ravindra Hegde, who has thanked the Advocates, litigants, respondents and all others concerned for their participation.

WATER LEVEL

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Today's level **124.80 feet**	Today's level **2,283.15 feet**	Today's level **2,858.64 feet**
Last year's level **96.94 feet**	Last year's level **2,276.28 feet**	Last year's level **2,858.21 feet**
Yesterday's level **124.80 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,283.18 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,858.64 feet**
Today's Inflow **7,182 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **1,873 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **1,332 cusecs**
Today's Outflow **6,973 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **3,350 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **1,300 cusecs**

REALLY...?

- ***The word 'pen' comes from the Latin word 'penna', meaning feather. Humans used feathers that had sharpened quills for writing and began calling them pens.***
- ***Pens date back to 5,000 years ago. Pens have been in use since ancient times with ancient Egyptians utilising reed straws as pens and making ink out of soot mixed with beeswax.***
- ***The largest pen in the world is a ballpoint pen that weighs 37.23 kg. It holds the Guinness World Record and is 5.5 metres (18 feet, 0.53 inches).***
- ***Quill pens made of bird feathers were all the rage from 700 AD to 1700s. The best quills were made from swan feathers and were rare and expensive. So common folks used goose feather quills and got crow feather quills for making fine lines.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

Teacher: Who can tell me what "dogma" means? Charlie: It's a lady dog that's had puppies, Sir!!

TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 83.84
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 110.70
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 22.83
1 Euro	= Rs. 93.26

VOICE OF THE READER

Non-functioning traffic signals on JLB Road

Sir,

I wish to bring to your attention the malfunctioning traffic signals at key intersections in the heart of our city. Specifically, the signals near Yuvaraja's College Junction on JLB Road have been out of order for weeks, causing severe traffic congestion and posing significant safety risks for both pedestrians and motorists.

This issue is creating confusion among drivers, especially during peak hours, and increasing the risk of accidents. Despite several complaints to the authorities concerned, no concrete action has been taken.

As Dasara is fast approaching, I urge the responsible authorities to take immediate corrective measures. A prompt intervention will help restore smooth traffic flow and ensure public safety.

— Shashank S. Holla
Mysuru
14.9.2024

'PM Surya Ghar Yojana will help save electricity'

CESC (Technical) Director K.M. Munigopalaraju (second from right), who launched 'Household Solar Kits' under the Pradhan Mantri Surya Ghar Muft Bijli Yojana in association with Sun-AP Ecopower Limited at a private hotel recently, seen with CESC Executive Engineer (Electrical) R. Poornachandra Tejaswi, Sun-AP Ecopower Limited Managing Director Srinivas, CEO Rishi and others.

Mysuru, Sept. 17 (MK&VNS)- K.M. Munigopalaraju, Director of CESC Technical Division, emphasised the cost-saving and electricity-saving benefits of the Pradhan Mantri Surya Ghar Muft Bijli Yojana during the launch of the Government-subsidised 'Solar Kit for Homes' at a private hotel recently.

Munigopalaraju explained that households will receive a subsidy for installing solar panels on their roofs. The installation of a 1 kW solar panel typically costs between Rs. 50,000 and Rs. 55,000, with the Government providing a subsidy of approximately Rs. 30,000. Additionally, the Government will offer further savings on electricity bills through this scheme.

He also highlighted that the State Government's 'Gruha Lakshmi' scheme provides 200 free units of electricity. For households using more than 200 units, the PM Surya Ghar Muft Bijli Yojana offers an excellent opportunity to reduce costs.

For more details, interested power consumers can contact the toll-free number 94808-37543.

He clarified that the scheme is intended for residential use only and not for commercial purposes. A subsidy of Rs. 60,000 is available for installing a 2 kW solar panel for residential use, while no subsidies are provided for commercial installations.

CESC Executive Engineer (Electrical) R. Poornachandra Tejaswi, Sun-AP Ecopower Limited Managing Director Srinivas, CEO Rishi and other officials were present at the event.

Aadhaar deadline extension only for free document update

Mysuru, Sept. 17- The extension of the deadline to Dec. 14, 2024, is for free Aadhaar updates and not for the regular update of Aadhaar card details, clarified Col. N.G. Krishna Prasad (Retd.), Centre Manager, Aadhaar Seva Kendra, Mysuru.

Following the publication of the news item, **'Aadhaar card update: Free services end on Dec. 14'** in *Star of Mysore* dated Sept. 16, he has stated that residents who have had their cards for more than 10 years can update their identity proof and address proof documents online, free of charge up to Dec. 14, 2024.

Only the address on the Aadhaar card can be updated online. This is not free and Rs. 50 is charged for this. All other demographic details such as name, date of birth or gender can

only be updated at the Aadhaar Seva Kendras, he stated.

Procedure to update documents free of charge

1. Visit the website, *myaadhaar.uidai.gov.in*
2. Login with your Aadhaar number and enter Captcha. Enter the OTP received.
3. For Document update, click on the Document update option at the top left corner. Read the given procedure and follow the instructions. This will update your documents in the Aadhaar database but there will be no changes in your Aadhaar card.
4. If you want to update your address online, click on the Address update option at the top right corner of the dashboard. Read the procedure and follow the instructions. This will help you to change your address on your Aadhaar card.
5. For changes in any other details such as name, gender or date of birth, visit the Aadhaar Seva Kendra with original proof documents.

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Local body tenders: Former Mayor seeks chance for young contractors

Sandesh Swamy

Mysuru, Sept. 17 (BLU&DM)- Former Mayor and BJP leader Sandesh Swamy has urged the State Government to provide more opportunities for newly licenced young contractors in Urban Local Bodies and other Government tenders.

In a letter addressed to CM Siddaramaiah, Swamy expressed concern that new contractors are eagerly awaiting tenders but are being sidelined due to influence of established contractors. He alleged that these new contractors are being deprived of opportunities due to the schemes of vested interests.

Swamy also highlighted the broader issue of engineering graduates and diploma holders struggling to find Government jobs. He pointed out that engineers appointed on a contractual basis in various Govt. Departments are being exploited.

He criticised the favouritism shown towards entrenched contractors in Urban Local Bodies and the Labour Department, with limited opportunities available for young contractors.

He noted that the situation is similar in the MCC, where only established contractors are awarded tenders. Emphasising that young contractors need experience to build their careers, Swamy called for a review of the rules regarding work experience for tender allocations. He urged the authorities to consider licensed youth contractors for contracts without imposing stringent experience requirements.

He warned that if the Government does not address the demands of youth contractors who are seeking work, a protest will be launched. A copy of the letter has also been sent to the Urban Development Minister, Labour Minister and the State Chief Secretary for their attention.

HDK demands holding of ZP, TP elections

Kumaraswamy

Bengaluru, Sept. 17 (KMS & DM)- A day after the State Congress celebrated the International Day of Democracy by forming a 2,500 km long human chain across the State, Union Minister H.D. Kumaraswamy (HDK) has urged Chief Minister Siddaramaiah to conduct ZP, TP and other Urban Local Bodies polls.

Speaking to press persons here yesterday, he said that merely giving advertisements in newspapers would not help in saving democracy. As local bodies are foundation of democracy, polls must be held immediately to these bodies, he said adding that forming a human chain does not serve the purpose.

Maintaining that the Congress has not conducted local bodies polls even after being in power for the past 16 months, Kumaraswamy said that elections must be held to ZP, TP and all other local bodies immediately, as most of them do not have elected bodies for years.

NEWS BRIEFS

Applications invited for ITI admission

The Government ITI, N.R. Mohalla, has invited applications from eligible 8th standard passed students (and also SSLC failed) for admission to 43 vacant ITI seats in Welder Trade only. The interested students can walk-in along with necessary documents and secure admission. Last date for admission is Sept. 30. [Ph: 0821- 2498456]

Annual Meeting

Sri Gayathri Housing Co-operative Society, Mysuru, will hold its Annual General Body Meeting (AGM) at its premises on Ramavilas Road in K.R. Mohalla on Sept. 24 at 10.30 am, according to Sangha Secretary M. Sandhya.

Government must not interfere in Co-operative sector: Council Chairman

Senior Co-operators honoured with 'Sahakara Ratna' Award

Mysuru, Sept. 17 (GA&DM)- Legislative Council Chairman Basavaraj Horatti said that there should be no Government or political interference in the working of Co-operative Societies.

He was speaking after honouring senior Co-operators at the 99th Annual General Body Meeting (AGM) of Sri Krishnarajendra (KR) Co-operative Bank at Maharaja's College Centenary Hall here on Sunday.

Pointing out that debates and discussions were held in the State Assembly and Council in this regard, Horatti said that the Government did not allow political interference.

Noting that many Co-operative Societies have grown into Banks over the years, he opined that the Co-op. Banks have been helping their members by advancing them loans at lesser interest rates, during their hour of need.

Stating that a Co-operative Institution cannot grow with the help and support of just one individual, he observed that the Co-operative Societies can grow only through mutual co-operation, trust and understanding.

Legislative Council Chairman Basavaraj Horatti beating the drums to inaugurate the 99th AGM of Sri Krishnarajendra (KR) Co-operative Bank at Maharaja's College Centenary Hall in city on Sunday.

Hunsur MLA G.D. Harish Gowda, in his address, said that many Co-operative Societies have shut down due to irregularities and lapses. But the city's Krishnarajendra Bank has been functioning successfully for the past 99 years which is a big achievement. Co-operative Societies can see success only if everything goes right and in a correct manner.

The elections to Co-operative Societies, which used to generally take place silently earlier, are making a big noise these days, he said adding that the Co-operative elections today seem to outdo even Assembly and Parliamentary polls.

Stating that the KR Bank, which currently has 9,088 members, has advanced Rs. 43 crore loans at 8 percent annual Interest, he stressed on the need for every member to have a sense of feeling that the Bank is theirs.

He further said that the AGM would be more successful only if all the members take part, Harish Gowda added.

Kundur Mutt Seer Sri Sharathchandra Swamiji too spoke.

Senior Co-operators K.V. Narasimha Shetty, B. Puttaswamy, S.B. Vijayakumar, S. Sadananda, M.K. Puttaswamy, Siddaraju, P.C. Nagarajan, K.L. Anantharamaiah, N. Nagaraju, D. Ramu, G. Krishna, K. Chandra, Channaiah, Balaamba, Kathyayini, N. Jayalakshmi, K.R. Seethalakshmi, Susheelamma, D. Asha Kumari and K.S. Sunanda were conferred 'Sahakara Ratna' Award.

Bank President Pratidhwani Prasad, Vice-President D. Basavaraju, Directors M.D. Parthasarathy, K.G. Shankarnarayana Shastri, N. Siddappa, H.N. Sarvamangala, B. Nagaraj, Naveen Kumar, H.V. Bhaskar, M.S. Arun Siddappa & P.M. Nagendra Prasad were present.

'DVG Award' for Satyesh N. Bellur

Mysuru, Sept. 17 (BLU&DM)- Maintaining that growth cannot be achieved in a single sector, academic expert Dr. Gururaj Karajagi said growth can gain ground firmly only if personality is spread across different sectors.

He was speaking after conferring 'DVG Award' on poet-writer-playwright Satyesh N. Bellur at a programme organised by DVG (D.V. Gundappa) DVG Balaga Pratishtana at Sarada Vilas Centenary Hall in Krishnamurthypuram here on Sunday.

Noting that Satyesh Bellur, who has written many form of books, has worked like a honey bee, Dr. Karajagi said that he has shared his experiences as a Science student, Technologist and a Tourist, through poems.

Observing that achievement in a single field will not stand firm, he said, on the other hand, a multi-faceted personality will have a deeper and broader experience.

Pointing out that the 20th Century is a golden chapter for Kannada Literature, Dr. Karajagi said that Kannada literature had never got such a depth and spread in the past. The glory that can be seen in Kannada poetry cannot be found anywhere else, he added.

Dr. Karajagi's work 'Saakshi', published by Loka Shikshana Trust Granthamala, was released on the occasion.

Poet K.C. Shivappa, Prof. Shankar Bellur of 'My Career Lab,' Pratishtana Convenor C. Kanakaraju, Members Samanvitha, Dr. Virupaksha Devaramane, H.A. Nandini, Gururaj Kulkarni, Samudyatha, Arun and others were present.

'Vidyavaridhi' award conferred on teachers

Toppers in Kannada honoured; book 'Bhavadinchara' released

Mysuru, Sept. 17 (SPN&TRR)- An anthology of poems 'Bhavadinchara,' written by N. Mohammad Humayun, was released at a function organised by Mysuru Sahitya Mattu Samskrutika Pratishtana and Mysuru's Kabir Prakashana at Ideal Jawa Rotary School auditorium on JLB Road in the city on Sunday.

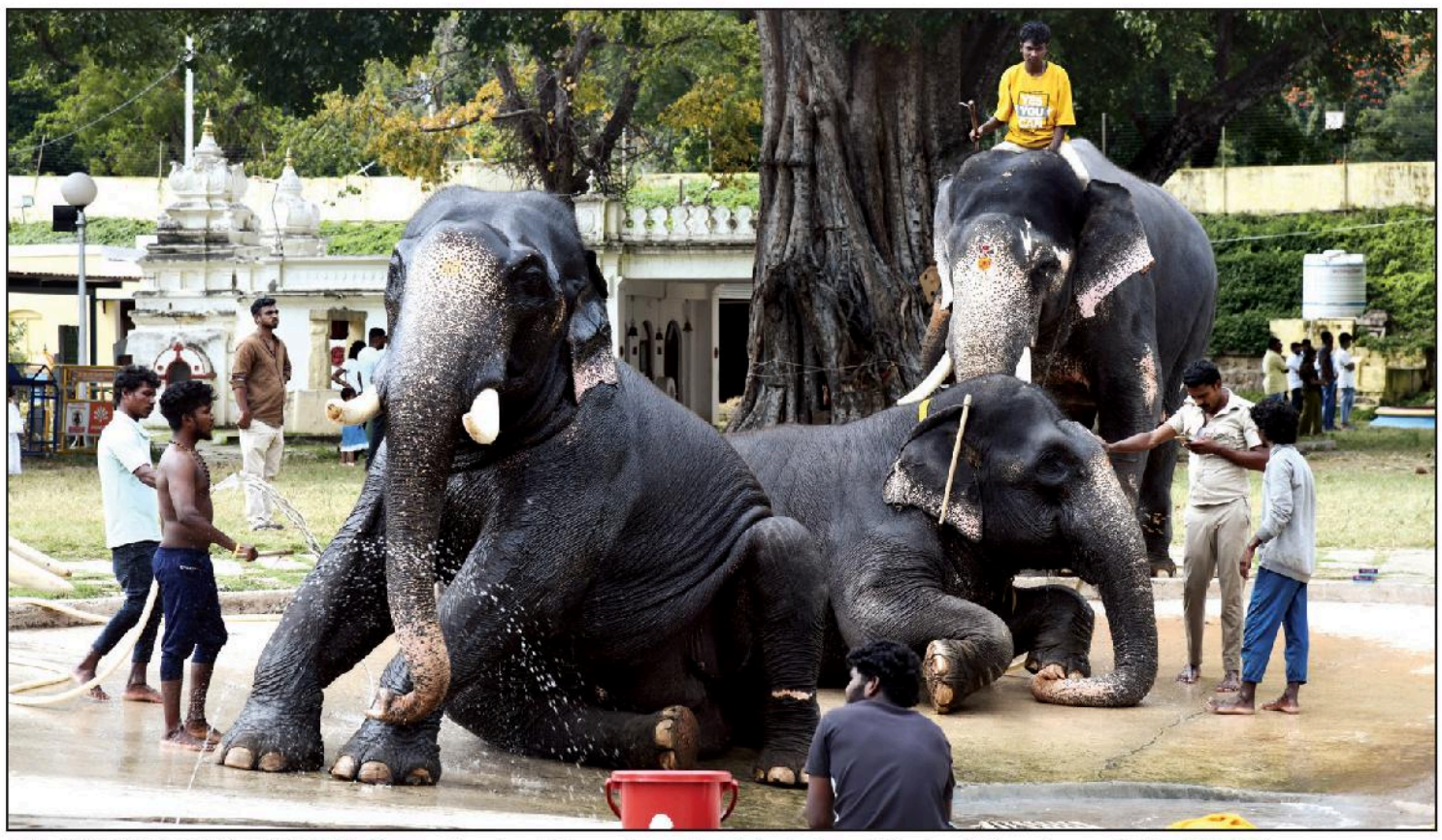
B.S. Aparanji, Managing Consultant of NSSK, Bidar, who released the book, said that writing poetry or prose is not an easy job. It is possible to only those who consider writing as a penance.

Poet Humayun has written more than 70 quality poems in 'Bhavadinchara,' she added.

As part of Teachers' Day celebrations, five teachers — B. Ravish Kumar, Ramachandra Bhat, Ushamani, C.S. Raghavendra and Jaibunneesa — were presented 'Vidyavaridhi' awards. Students, who had scored highest marks in Kannada language in SSLC Exams, were also feted.

Poetess B. Shobha, Pratishtana President M.B. Santhosh, office-bearers C. Vani Raghavendra, N.C. Mamata, A. Hemaganga, Dr. Sougandhika V. Jois, S.V. Pannaga, N.R. Roopashri, Dr. K. Premakumara, Neetu S. Raj and Rekha Santosh were present.

Matriarch Varalakshmi retired but still plays a crucial role



RELAXING AFTER REHEARSAL: ***Dasara jumbos Dhananjaya, Varalakshmi and Kanjan being given a bath at their temporary camp in Mysore Palace premises yesterday. For visitors during the day, the 14 Dasara elephants are the cynosure of all eyes.***

Mysuru, Sept. 17 (MTY&VNS)- With a team of 14 elephants, led by Captain Abhimanyu, gearing up for this year's Dasara festival from Oct. 3 to 12, the senior-most elephant Varalakshmi has been tasked with supervising and guiding her teammates.

While 21-year-old Rohit is the youngest of group, Varalakshmi, at 68, is the eldest. Although officially retired, forest officials have refrained from assigning her active duties. Instead, due to her seniority, Varalakshmi has been overseeing the younger elephants at the camp.

Varalakshmi was brought from the Bheemanakatte Elephant Camp to Mysore Palace on Aug. 21 with the first batch of elephants. Besides a weight check, she has not been participating in the rehearsals or leaving the Palace premises.

At the camp, she monitors the other elephants under the guidance of mahout J.K. Ravi and Kavadi K.S. Lava. The Forest Department regularly appoints one of its senior female elephants to watch rest of the herd.

In previous years, senior elephants like Sarala, Vijaya, Kaveri, Durgaparameshwari and Varalakshmi were part of the Dasara Jumbo team. While some served as Kumki elephants, younger ones like Chaitra often took the second Kumki role. Now, Sarala, Vijaya and Kaveri, all in their 60s, are being cared for at their respective camps.

Sadly, Durgaparameshwari passed away last year due to illness. After assessing Varalakshmi's health, the department brought her to Mysuru. Although she will not participate in Dasara procession, her role in overseeing other elephants is crucial for ensuring smooth conduct of *Jumboo Savari.*

> **"Varalakshmi, the 68-year-old elephant, has been fully retired from participating in the Dasara procession. However, as the senior-most elephant, she remains part of the elephant team, tasked with controlling and managing the behaviour of other elephants. Varalakshmi, like the other Dasara jumbos, is being provided with a nutritious diet to maintain her health."**
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> — I.B. Prabhu Gowda, DCF (Wildlife)

Ekalavya impresses in Dasara rehearsal

Carries 300-kg weight; shows potential as future howdah elephant

Mysuru, Sept. 17 (MTY & VNS)- As Dasara-2024 is fast approaching, the Forest Department has begun rehearsals for the *Jumboo Savari,* with howdah elephant Abhimanyu leading the elephants in a majestic march along the Raja Marga, from the Balarama Gate of Mysore Palace to the Torchlight Parade Grounds in Bannimantap.

On Sunday, forest officials conducted a key rehearsal, placing around 300-kg of weight on Ekalavya, a 39-year-old elephant participating in the Dasara celebrations for the first time.

The elephants reached Bannimantap Parade Grounds in 1 hour and 10 minutes, boosting the officials' confidence. While 58-year-old Abhimanyu will carry Golden Howdah during Vijayadashami procession on Oct. 12, the trial with Ekalavya yielded promising results.

Ekalavya, housed at Mathigodu Elephant Camp under Nagarahole Tiger Reserve, was captured two years ago. Known for its calm temperament, Ekalavya has shown the potential to serve as the future Howdah elephant.

He has joined the ranks of Dhananjaya, Sugreeva, Prashanth, Gopi, Mahendra and Bheema, all candidates to carry the Golden Howdah after Abhimanyu's retirement in the coming years.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore,* DCF (Wildlife) Dr. I.B. Prabhu Gowda noted that the rehearsal with Ekalavya carrying 300-kg was a success. The elephants reached the Torchlight Parade Grounds in 1 hour and 10 minutes.

Though the officials are focusing on getting Abhimanyu ready for the grand procession, they are ensuring the other elephants are prepared to step in if necessary. As part of the rehearsals, a wooden cradle (gaadi, namda) was secured to Ekalavya's back, with sandbags placed on top. Despite traffic on the main road, Ekalavya remained calm and safely reached the destination.

DCF Dr. Prabhu Gowda, RFO Santosh Hugar, Veterinarian Dr. Mujeeb Rehman, assistants Ashok and Rangaraju were present during the rehearsal.

Congress counters HDK's Dalit land grab charge against CM

'If allegations are proven we will ask Siddaramaiah to resign; If not, will Kumaraswamy resign?'

Mysuru, Sept. 17 (GA&BCT)- Responding to the allegations made by Union Minister and JD(S) leader H.D. Kumaraswamy (HDK), who accused Chief Minister Siddaramaiah of illegally building a house on land intended for a Dalit with a disability in Vijayanagar, KPCC Spokesperson M. Lakshmana stated that the Chief Minister has not involved in any illegal activities.

Speaking to reporters in front of the Vijayanagar house this morning, Lakshmana said, "If it is proven that Siddaramaiah is exploiting Dalits to build and sell houses, we will ensure that he resigns. Conversely, Kumaraswamy should consider resigning from his position as a Union Minister if this is not the case."

Lakshmana explained, "Siddaramaiah legally constructed a house on a 100x120 site in Vijayanagar, which he purchased from Sakamma. When he was unable to repay the bank loan, he sold the house. RTI activist Gangaraju questioned the legality of this site, leading to a court case. The District Court ruled against Siddaramaiah, who then challenged it in the High Court. The Supreme Court ultimately ruled in favour of Siddaramaiah."

KPCC Spokesperson M. Lakshmana explaining to media persons along with the supportive documents, near the previous house of CM Siddaramaiah at Vijayanagar in city this morning.

Kumaraswamy had claimed that a Dalit paid Rs. 24,000 for the site, only to find that someone else had built a house on it. Kumaraswamy alleged that this was facilitated by forged documents in Sakamma's name.

"As Deputy Chief Minister, Siddaramaiah built the house. On whose land did you build it? By creating false documents in Sakamma's name, you took 10,000 sq. ft. from her and constructed the house. Do you want records of this? I'm asking the Chief Minister," Kumaraswamy had questioned.

Lakshmana countered, "Siddaramaiah's house construction is not on Dalit land. Kumaraswamy's accusations are baseless. He must stop making these allegations and provide evidence to support his claims. If he continues to spread falsehoods for political gain, we will pursue legal action."

Former ZP Member Rakesh Papanna, former ZP President B.M. Ramu and others accompanied Lakshmana.

Rural BJP President accused of illegally acquiring MUDA site

Mysuru, Sept. 17 (GA&BCT)- The deeper the investigation, the more land scams within the Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA) are being uncovered.

Mahadevaswamy

L.R. Mahadevaswamy, the current Rural President of the BJP, has been accused of the scam by K.S. Shivaramu, President of the Hindulida Vargagala Jagruta Vedike, who presented documents to support his claims.

At a press conference held at Pathrakarthara Bhavan yesterday, Shivaramu alleged that Mahadevaswamy acquired an illegal site that was registered under his wife Soumya M. Swamy's name.

He claimed that a MUDA site currently valued at Rs. 7 crore was obtained for a fraction of its worth, leading to a substantial financial loss for MUDA. Shivaramu also challenged BJP State President B.Y. Vijayendra, questioning his moral authority to lead a padayatra (footmarch) against Chief Minister Siddaramaiah.

"In Eeranagere, a parcel of land was jointly registered in the names of 11 individuals, including Syed Shakeeb-Ur-Rehman, Syeda Nasruth Afza and Bibi Ayesha. They acquired 1 acre and 3 guntas of land in Eeranagere Survey No. 85/2. On July 7, 2021, they applied to MUDA for alternative sites as MUDA had used their land without following proper acquisition procedures," Shivaramu said.

"MUDA subsequently sanctioned a 15x24 metre plot in Saraswathipuram (West of Thonachikoppalu Fourth Stage) under site number 1311G in a 50:50 ratio. Four months later, the same land was purchased by Mahadevaswamy under his wife's name. The family of Syed Shakeeb-Ur-Rehman paid Rs. 5,35,200 to MUDA for the alternative site, and Mahadevaswamy bought it from them for Rs. 1.45 crore on Sept. 19, 2022, with the assistance of the then MUDA Commissioner Dr. D.B. Natesh. The actual value of the land is Rs. 7 crore," Shivaramu stated.

"Mahadevaswamy is now constructing a grand bungalow on this land in Saraswathipuram. There is a pressing demand to immediately halt this construction and the Government must reclaim the site," he insisted.

Mysuru BJP Rural President L.R. Mahadevaswamy responded, "I have not purchased any site illegally. The site was acquired by paying the Government-fixed amount. The allegations made by K.S. Shivaramu are completely untrue. If there are any doubts, I encourage him to pursue legal action."

Nine months without MUDA meeting

Public works stalled

Mysuru, Sept. 17 (RK& BCT)- The Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA) officials, responsible for solving housing challenges and ensuring systematic development of Mysuru, have strayed from their core mission.

Instead of prioritising land acquisition from farmers, creating residential layouts and approving sites for land owners and eligible beneficiaries following the rules, they are entangled in illegal approval of sites through 50:50 scheme, offering incentives and alternative site allotments.

In Chief Minister Siddaramaiah's home district, this misconduct in MUDA has shifted its focus toward issuing illegal sale deeds, khatas and revenue documents — leaving behind critical development projects that would benefit public.

Over the past 25-30 years, nearly 80,000 individuals have applied to MUDA, hoping to secure a site in Mysuru and build homes with pride. Sadly, many of these applicants passed away without realising their dreams, underscoring the glaring gap between MUDA officials' promises and their actual actions.

Far from fulfilling public aspirations, MUDA has not held a Board meeting in the last nine months, casting serious doubt on the Authority's progress.

Chairman holds just one meeting

The recent general meeting took place on Jan. 16, 2024, chaired by the then Deputy Commissioner and MUDA Chairman, Dr. K.V. Rajendra. At that meeting, 180 items were presented, but only 20 legally valid items were approved. Since then, no general meetings have occurred.

Since K. Marigowda assumed the role of MUDA Chairman on March 1, 2024, he has held only one general meeting, which was on March 7, 2024, to discuss 2024-25 budget. There have been no additional general meetings under his chairmanship.

Three years' budgets pending approval

Budget meetings held under previous Chairmen H.V. Rajeev and Yashasvi S. Somasekhar on March 31, 2022, and March 13, 2023, respectively, as well as the annual budget meeting on March 7, 2024, chaired by Marigowda, have yet to be submitted to the Government for approval. This backlog underscores administrative inefficiencies hampering MUDA's operations.

With no action plans created for the approved projects, development work has come to a complete standstill.

The absence of general meetings, prolonged budget approval delays and lack of action plans have significantly hindered vital development projects. Key initiatives like the second phase of the Kabini drinking water project and the group housing scheme for providing affordable homes to the homeless remain stalled.

Technical delays

After Congress Government took office, Marigowda assumed charge as MUDA Chairman on March 1, 2024, but faced immediate challenges with the Model Code of Conduct for 2024 LS polls, which commenced on March 16.

Although the code was lifted on June 4, further complications within the MUDA arose when Marigowda revealed on June 24 that the approval of sites in a 50:50 ratio (approved by the MUDA Board) was illegal, exposing a massive site scam running into thousands of crores of rupees. Subsequently, on July 2, the Government transferred then MUDA Commissioner G.T. Dinesh Kumar and the Secretary.

A state of uncertainty

The Government responded to the scam by launching an investigation into the site allocation scam and ordered all MUDA meetings, work processes and daily operations to be suspended until the report is submitted. Since then, all MUDA activities have remained frozen.

The MUDA site scandal has sent shockwaves through State political circles, with parties deeply divided over the allegations involving Chief Minister Siddaramaiah. The matter is now being contested in the Karnataka High Court.

Despite the legal battle playing out at highest level, on the ground — where the scam originated — there is an eerie silence. No public-friendly initiatives or actions are being carried out at MUDA, leaving the common people in a state of uncertainty.

Mysuru family escapes attack

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This attack follows another robbery four months ago, when a family of five, on their way to a temple near Mandya for *Ugadi* on the night of April 9, was attacked and robbed by miscreants on a bike between Lambani Tandya and Devarahosahalli in Mandya.

The latest incident on Sept. 13 targeted the family of K.C. Krishnegowda, a resident of Hebbal 2nd Stage near Basavanagudi Circle in Mysuru city.

Krishnegowda, along with his wife H.M. Sudha, son K. Rohit, and driver Sunil, was returning to Mysuru after attending a wedding reception in Bengaluru on Sept. 12. They were travelling in their Maruti car, KA-09-MF-2299 when the attack took place.

As the family was travelling on the Highway at 1 am, two individuals standing on the road divider opposite Amaravathi Hotel threw an object at the window glass behind the driver's seat, shattering it and sending glass shards inside the car.

"I had read about such incidents on this part of the Highway in newspapers, so I told Sunil to speed away without stopping, which saved us," Krishnegowda said.

Quick escape plan?

Bright lights from shops on the other side of the Highway, opposite Amaravathi Hotel, illuminated the area. Since this location marks the start of the Mandya bypass road, Krishnegowda speculated that the miscreants might have chosen this spot for a quick escape.

Krishnegowda described the two miscreants as being about 5.9 feet tall. The family sped toward the Toll Plaza at Gananguru, hoping to find Police personnel and report the incident. Unfortunately, there were no Police officers present, so the family continued to Mysuru in fear.

Krishnegowda has not yet filed a complaint with the Police and has left the car for repairs. This incident underscores the ongoing safety issues for Highway commuters and the apparent failure of Police to curb such crimes.

Previously, there have been similar incidents on this stretch of the Bengaluru-Mysuru Highway, where miscreants have thrown objects at moving vehicles to break windshields and windows, then looted the occupants when they stopped.

This latest incident reveals that such criminal activities are still prevalent.

Do not stop vehicles on Highway: Police

'Stop at places such as toll plazas, petrol bunks'

Mysuru, Sept. 17- In most cases, culprits target bikers or motorists who stop by the roadside. On one occasion, robbers even chased vehicles, trying to intimidate their occupants. Additionally, there have been instances where robbers have targeted couples taking a break in their car on the Highway after a long drive.

Many regular travellers note that night patrolling on the Highway, when commuters are most vulnerable, is insufficient. "Authorities need to increase patrolling not just on the Highway, but also on the service road. Otherwise, such highway robberies will only escalate," they said.

Police officers advise commuters to avoid stopping their vehicles anywhere on the Highway or service road, especially at night. "Commuters should only stop at petrol bunks on the service road or at restaurants, not in between," an officer said. Despite the presence of signage on the Highway, motorists often ignore these warnings, he added.

Compounding the issue, streetlights have been installed only on elevated sections of the highway, leaving bypasses and other deserted areas poorly lit, where incidents are frequently reported.

Atishi Marlena set to become Delhi CM

New Delhi, Sept. 17 (Agencies)- Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) supremo and Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal, who has been accused of corruption and was jailed for over six months, has proposed Atishi Marlena as the candidate for the next Chief Minister (CM) of Delhi.

Atishi, a prominent figure in both the party and the Government, holds multiple key portfolios, including Finance, Education, and Public Works Department (PWD).

Kejriwal is scheduled to resign today after meeting with Lt. Governor V.K. Saxena at 4.30 pm. The meeting has been confirmed for this time.

Atishi, born on June 8, 1981, comes from an academic family in Delhi, with her parents, Vijay Singh and Tripta Wahi, both Professors at Delhi University. Her middle name, 'Marlena,' a combination of Marx and Lenin, reflects her ideological roots.

In 2018, to focus on her professional achievements rather than her family background, she adopted the name Atishi for her public persona.

Atishi's political career began in January 2013 when she joined AAP. She played a significant role in policy formulation, leveraging her experiences from the Anti-Corruption Movement in India.

Atishi Marlena

Her electoral breakthrough came in the 2020 Delhi Legislative Assembly elections, where she won the Kalkaji Constituency in South Delhi by a margin of 11,422 votes against BJP candidate Dharambir Singh. This victory elevated her to a prominent role within the Delhi Government.

Following her success, Atishi was appointed as a Cabinet Minister, filling the positions vacated by Deputy Chief Minister Manish Sisodia and Health Minister Satyender Jain who were lodged in jail following corruption allegations.

During the 2022-23 period, she served as the Chairman of the Public Accounts Committee and was involved with various other Committees focused on Women & Child Welfare, Minority Welfare and Education.

Utsava Murthy of Chamundeshwari

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The Utsava Murthy will be consecrated in the silver chariot, to which floral tributes will be offered by dignitaries during the inauguration of Dasara festivities, every year atop the Hill. The same idol will be handed back to Palace Board on Vijayadashami Day, to be taken out for Jumboo Savari, on the howdah elephant.

Except for these two occasions, the idol remains in the custody of Palace Board and will be offered puja daily.

With over a fortnight left for the inauguration of Navarathri on Oct. 3, brisk preparations are underway at the Hilltop. Till then, the priests of Chamundi Temple will perform puja to the idol.

Palace Board Deputy Director T.S. Subramanya told *SOM* that special puja is offered to the idol every Tuesdays and Fridays and during Ashada Fridays. The idol is kept inside the wooden howdah at the Palace, which is used during Srirangapatna Dasara. Earlier, the idol used to be kept in the safe locker at Palace. Now, with lakhs of tourists visiting the Palace, they have the privilege of having *darshan* of the deity.

Whenever any programmes are held at Palace, including Flower Show, special puja is performed to the idol. The practice is followed prior to the installation of the idol inside the 750-kg golden howdah for *Jumboo Savari*. After the culmination of Dasara procession, the idol will be installed again inside wooden howdah.

The Utsava Murthy was handed over to Temple Authority 18 days prior to Dasara inauguration on the advise of Temple's Chief Priest Shashishekar Dixit, in view of *pitru paksha* being observed from Sept. 17 to Oct. 2, he said.

Retired Maharani's College Principal passes away

Prof. Vijayaveera Simha

Mysuru, Sept. 17- Prof. Vijayaveera Simha (82), retired Principal and a resident of Adichunchanagiri Road in Kuvempunagar, passed away following brief illness at a private hospital in city this morning.

Prof. Simha had served as the Principal and Professor at Maharani's Arts College for Women for 18 years and had also served in Hassan district.

He is survived by one daughter, one son, daughter-in-law, son-in-law, grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends.

His wife M.R. Leela had predeceased him 20 years ago.

Last rites were performed at K.G. Koppal Burial Grounds this afternoon, according to family sources.

Hill Temple devotees denied laddu prasada

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A separate counter to sell laddu prasada is opened behind the main Temple, which is open for *darshan* from 7.30 am to 2 pm, 3.30 pm to 6 pm and 7.30 pm to 9 pm. It is a habit among devotees to buy laddu prasada and distribute them among their family and neighbours. Due to non-availability of laddus in large quantity, the devotees carry home only the flowers and coconut.

Contractor vendor

During the previous system, the successful bidder of tender was selling laddus. After the formation of Temple Authority, the tender was called off and the Authority itself took over the task of preparing and selling laddus. Now there are complaints of laddu shortage.

On Sunday, 7,000 laddus were prepared and 5,000 was distributed to devotees who purchased special entry ticket (Rs. 100). The remaining laddus were distributed among those who visited the temple through normal entry. Laddus were not available by afternoon, with the authorities also unprepared to meet the demand.

Secretary clarifies

Secretary of Sri Chamundeshwari Kshetra Development Authority M.J. Roopa today clarified that, except for a day, when there was a heavy rush, there were no issues in the availability and distribution of laddu prasada.

To another question on footwear stand at the Temple, Roopa said that arrangements have been made to provide the service without collecting any fee from the devotees. Further decision in this regard will be taken at the meeting of the Authority.

Obituary

V. Krishnamurthy

Mysuru, Sept. 17 - V. Krishnamurthy (87), Founder of Sri Nanjundeshwara Jewellers on Ashoka Road, passed away yesterday in city.

He leaves behind two sons, one daughter, grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held at the foot of Chamundi Hill, according to family sources.

T. Ramegowda

T. Ramegowda (63), JD(S) leader, former Naganahalli Gram Panchayat Member and a resident of Lakshmipura village in the taluk, passed away yesterday at the village.

He leaves behind his wife, two daughters, one son and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were held at the village this noon, according to family sources.

State Inter-District Junior & U-23 Athletic Meet-2024

Four New Meet Records on Day-3

Yashas R. Gowda of Mysuru

K. Lokesh of Yadgir

Mysuru, Sept. 17- Four New Meet Records (NMR) were set in the men's U-23 section by K. Lokesh from Yadgir (1500m), Sachin from Koppal (Hammer throw), Yashas R. Gowda from Mysuru (Triple jump) and A. Nagendra from Dakshina Kannada (Discus Throw) on third and penultimate day of the State Inter-District Junior and U-23 Athletic Meet-2024 conducted by Mysore District Athletic Association (MDAA) at Chamundi Vihar Stadium here, yesterday.

The results

Men: U-23: (Winners only): 1500m: K. Lokesh (Yadgir, NMR, 3:58.23, OR: 4:00.70s, B.L. Shashidhar, 2023).

Triple Jump: Yashas R. Gowda (Mys, NMR, 15.00m, OR: 14.82m, B. Mahanth, 2021).

Hammer Throw: Sachin (Koppal, NMR, 57.24m, OR: 55.33m, Sachin, 2023), **110m hurdles:** Advith D. Shetty (DK, 15.21s), **Discus:** A. Nagendra (DK, NMR, 50.83m, OR: 50.20m, S.A. Muhammed, 2022.

Boys: U-20 - 1500m: Krishna Rathod (Vijayapura, 4:07.17s), **10 km walk:** 1. B. Darshan (DK, 51:34.98s), **Triple Jump:** S. Punith (Kodagu, 14.50m), **Hammer Throw:** K. Yashas Praveen (UK, 60.68m), 110m hurdles: K.R.Tejal (DK, 15.05s).

U-18: Javelin: Shubham Suresh (Belagavi, 60.60m), **110m Hurdles:** S. Chandan (B'luru Rural, 15.06s).

U-16: Long Jump: Aditya Yadav (DK, 4.37m)

Women: U-23: (Winners only): 1500m: Rekha Basappa (DK, 5:00.80s), **Javelin:** S.M. Sinchana (DK, 37.32m), **Hammer Throw:** D. Nishel Delphina (DK, 45.90m), **100m Hurdles:** R. Deekshitha (DK, 14.95s).

U-20: 1500m: Vaishnavi Rawal (Belagavi, 4:45.06s), **10km Walk:** Ambika Koli (DK, 59:36.77s), **Hammer Throw:** Spruha Naik (Belagavi, 41.68m), **100m Hurdles:** N. Apurva Anand (Belagavi, 15.64s), **Javelin:** S.M. Sinchana (DK, 37.32m), **Triple Jump:** Bhumika (Shivamogga, 11.86m).

U-18: 100m Hurdles: R. Isha Elizabeth (B'luru, 14.63s), **Long Jump:** Divija Bharadwaj (Mys, 5.02m).

U-16: Shot Put: M. Reddy Sanjana (Mys, 11.15m), **High Jump**: Rakshitha (DK, 1.42m).

City swimmers excel

Prize-winning swimmers Jeevamsh, Ruthva and Saanvi seen with Head Coach Pavan Kumar and Coach Kishore Kumar.

Mysuru, Sept. 17- Ruthva, Jeevamsh and Saanvi from Global Sports Association (GSA), Mysuru, won 10 medals by competing in CBSC South Zone-II Swimming Championship 2024-25 held at Shivshankarappa School, Davangere, from Sept. 9 to 12. Ruthva also won Individual Championship.

They are now selected for the National Tournament to be held in Bhubaneswar, Odisha.

Ruthva, a Class 5 student of St. Thomas School, Mysuru, won three gold medals (50m Freestyle, 100m Freestyle and 50m Butterfly) and was awarded 'Best Swimmer.'

Jeevamsh, an 8th std. student of DAV School, Mysuru, won 2 gold medals (200m Butterfly and 100m Butterfly) and 2 silver medals (50m butterfly and 200m Medley).

Saanvi, a Class 5 student of DAV School, Mysuru, 1 silver (200m Medley) and 2 bronze medals (100m Butterfly and 50m Freestyle).

All the three swimmers are trained under Head Coach Pavan Kumar of GSA at Sri Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar Swimming Pool of Puttaraja Gavai Stadium in J.P. Nagar, Mysuru.

Prize winners of 'PRAYAG-2024' Inter-Collegiate Fest

The prize winners are seen with Vanaja B. Pandit, Hon. Secretary, GSSS; Dr. M. Shivakumar, Principal, GSSSIETW, Dr. M. Jagadeesha, Professor and Head, Department of MBA, GSSSIETW.

Mysuru, Sept. 17- The Department of Master of Business Administration of GSSS Institute of Engineering & Technology for Women (GSSSIETW) had organised an Inter-Collegiate Fest 'PRAYAG-2024' recently at its campus on KRS Road.

In all, 238 students from 16 colleges participated in various events. The Fest consisted of cultural events namely Face Painting, Collage Making and Rangoli, Technical Events like Quiz Competition, Mock Stock Trading and Debate and Sports events namely Badminton (Singles and Doubles), Tug-of-War and Throwball.

RESULTS

Face Painting: MMK & SDM College, Mysuru - 1st prize; Sri Puttaswamy First Grade College, Mysuru - 2nd prize.

Collage Making: Yuvaraja's College, Mysuru - 1st; Sri Puttaswamy First Grade College, Mysuru - 2nd.

Rangoli: Sri Puttaswamy First Grade College, Mysuru and GSSSIETW, Mysuru - 1st; MMK & SDM College, Mysuru and BGS First Grade College, Mysuru - 2nd.

General Quiz: Yuvaraja's College, Mysuru - 1st; MMK&SDM College, Mysuru - 2nd.

Mock Stock Trading: GSSSIETW, Mysuru - 1st; Sri Puttaswamy First Grade College, Mysuru - 2nd.

Debate: National Institute of Engineering (NIE), Mysuru - 1st; MMK&SDM College, Mysuru - 2nd.

Tug-of-War: Teresian College, Mysuru - 1st; GSSS Simha Subbalakshmi First Grade College, Mysuru - 2nd.

Throwball: Sri Puttaswamy First Grade College, Mysuru - 1st; GSSS Simha Subbalakshmi First Grade College, Mysuru - 2nd.

Badminton - Singles: Maharani's Women's Commerce and Management College, Mysuru - 1st; GSSSIETW, Mysuru - 2nd; **Doubles:** GSSSIETW, Mysuru - 1st; Maharani's Women's Commerce and Management College, Mysuru - 2nd.

The valedictory function commenced by the innovation song rendered by first year students.

Dr. M. Jagadeesha, Professor and Head, Department of MBA, welcomed the gathering. This was followed by offering of floral tributes to Prof. B.S. Pandit's photo.

Dr. V.K. Jayan, Programme Co-ordinator and Associate Professor, Department of MBA, presented a report on PRAYAG-2024.

Asst. Professor Aarabi Ramanujan compered the prize distribution ceremony.

Vanaja B. Pandit, Hon. Secretary, GSSS, presided and handed over the cash prizes and certificates to the winners.

Dr. M. Shivakumar, Principal, GSSSIETW, spoke on the occasion. Prof. N.S. Pavithra Gowtham, Programme Coordinator and Assistant Professor, Department of MBA, proposed a vote of thanks.

Winners of District-level Basketball Tournament

The U-17 years (High School) girls team of Avila Convent School, Mysuru, won the District-level Basketball Tournament conducted by the Department of School Education, DDPI Office, Mysuru, at Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan (BVB) School premises in city recently. The winning team — (standing from left) Shivani Gupta, Anvitha, S. Himashree, Nisha Kunwar, R. Shreya, M.J. Nayana, N. Bhoomika, Dhanvi, Tanvi, Lavanya, Laveena Carol; (sitting from left) M.S. Shamiksha, Kashish, Sanvi, Chithralatha, Panchami and Sowparnika Pai — is seen with Manager Sr. Rashmi, Head Mistress Sr. Veena, Sr. Aruna Jyothi and PE Teacher Eliyas Arulappa.

63rd Heritage Music Festival at 8th Cross Ganesha Pandal

Robust voice & technical excellence

The music series at 8th Cross, VV Mohalla brought another grand vocal concert by well-known musician Vid. Kunnakudi Balamuralikrishna from Chennai on Sept. 16. He was accompanied by Vidu. Akkarai Shubhalakshmi on violin, Vid. Shree Sundarkumar on mridanga and Vid. Guruprasanna on kanjira.

Balamuralikrishna is a renowned vocalist and mridanga artiste. Groomed by the legendary teacher P.S. Narayanaswamy, Balamuralikrishna has evolved into a talented young vocal artiste popular with rasikas and sabha organisers. A robust voice, hard work, peer pressure have ensured that Balamuralikrishna is among the leading musicians of today.

Vid. Kunnakudi Balamuralikrishna presenting a Vocal Concert at 8th Cross Ganesha Pandal, VV Mohalla, yesterday as part of the 63rd Heritage Music Festival organised by Sri Prasanna Vidya Ganapathi Mandali Charitable (SPVGMC) Trust, Mysuru. He is accompanied by Vidu. Akkarai Shubhalakshmi on violin, Vid. Shree Sundarkumar on mridanga and Vid. Guruprasanna on kanjira.

Balamuralikrishna had planned the concert well. He opened the concert with the Natakuranji pada varna 'Chalamela jese' by Mulaivittu Rangasami NAttuvanar set to Adi Tala. It was rare and good to hear the sahitya of the ettugade swaras, normally not sung by most musicians in concerts.

Raising to the occasion, he next chose 'Kari Kalabha mukham' by Muthuswami Dikshitar on Lord Ganapati in Saveri in an usual Trishra Eka tala in two kalai. The line 'neelagreeva kumAram neerada ShObhAkaram,' describing Ganapati as the son of the blue-necked (Lord Shiva) and full of grace, was apt.

Ranjani was welcome as no previous artiste had presented it during this season. The raga was developed with versatile imagination, with impressive 'm'karas, masterly brigas and tristhayi sancharas ranging from mandra shadja of mandra sthayi to Tara Shadja of Tara sthayi and Subbulakshmi's version of the raga was equally graceful. Sri Tyagaraja's 'DurmArga charAdhamulau' was a good presentation with very clear diction and elaborate swaras. Hameer kalyani with 'ToomaNi mAyattu' too was a pleasant surprise.

After a quick filler 'Sarasa SAmadana bhEda' by Sri Tyagaraja in Kapi Narayani, Bhairavi, the toast of the evening was presented. The ragalapana was excellent, adorned with powerful gamakas and steeped in classicism. Another number of Sri Tyagaraja 'Koluvai yunnAde' was decorated with gripping kalpanaswaras.

Balamuralikrishna's layagnana as also a mridanga player (he is a disciple of Karaikudi Mani), added luster to the presentation.

Sundarkumar was ably supported by Guruprasanna's kanjira. Their taniyavartanam in Adi tAla (two kalai) was characterised by interesting laya manipulations.

The concert concluded with a shloka on Krishna 'YadgOpi vadanEndu' followed by a jayadeva ashtapadi 'Nindati chandanam' of TNS fame in Darbari Kanada and a tillana in Kamas by Muthiah Bhagavatar.

There seemed to be some consistent disturbance of the microphone synchronisation perhaps due to the vocalist's personal microphone, which the vocalist was unaware of, that came in the way of rasanubhava in the concert.

—Dr. Padmavathi Narasimhan

Hindus must desist from single child norm: Sri Ganapathy Swamiji

Mysuru, Sept. 17 (GA&BS)- Avadhoota Datta Peetham Seer Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Swamiji has raised a pertinent question — Hindus should desist from self-imposed single child norm, which if continued, may pose a threat to the very existence of the religion.

Sri Ganapathy Swamiji shared his views after receiving Guruvandana, upon the completion of his 170th Vishwa Dharma Vijaya Yatre, organised by Mysuru Zilla Brahmana Mahasabha, Datta Sene and the people of the city, at Nadamantapa of Sri Ganapathy Ashram in the city on Sunday.

Avadhoota Datta Peetham Seer Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Swamiji was offered Guruvandana as part of 170th Vishwa Dharma Vijaya Yatre, organised by Mysuru Zilla Brahmana Mahasabha and Datta Sene, at Nadamantapa in Sri Ganapathy Ashram premises, Mysuru, on Sunday.

Datta sect must unite

"If we should protect our religion, we should spread the essence of the religion even if it requires to cross the sea *(Seemollanghana)*. We should get rid of single child norm. Everybody should respect all the religions and inculcate the qualities of truth and mercy. We should never remain silent, if one who comes seeking refuge, turns audacious claiming ownership of the house. We cannot accept the belief of 'divide and live' and the Datta sect should unite," the Swamiji said.

Foreigners support

The Seer said, we bought eight Churches and built Ashrams abroad, with the generous donation of Rs. 58 crore by the foreigners. Even those without a roof have given donation. We should protect the people's religion. Or else, wait to feel the impact during your grandchildren's time, cautioned the Swamiji.

"The people of Tenali in Andhra Pradesh removed the crop they had cultivated in their land to make space for a Bhajan programme. It is a perfect example of how the people feel overjoyed to respond, if we inspire them for undertaking religious initiatives. We should have a zeal to achieve. God definitely favours those having a firm determination," said the Seer.

Animal sacrifice stopped

"I have been travelling abroad since 1976 and had been to Guyana in South America and several other places, thickly populated by Hindus who have settled there from 180 years. They are poor. A popular Hindu Temple exists in Guyana, which was known for the practice of animal sacrifice. When I was invited there, I had set a condition to stop animal sacrifice to accept their invitation. They obliged and have stopped animal sacrifice since then," recalled Sri Ganapathy Swamiji.

Opinions on 'Seemollanghana'

Senior journalist Ravi Hegde said, there is a contrasting opinion about the Seers going on 'Seemollanghana.' But the Seers should do *seemollanghana*, to their limitations, as the devotees and followers of Hindu religion are spread across the world.

Owing to the influence of globalisation, people settled elsewhere hesitate to identify themselves. It is only when we stand with them, they feel the support.

Scholar Dr. Pavagada Prakash Rao delivered a discourse on the occasion.

Junior Pontiff of Avadhoota Datta Peetham Sri Datta Vijayananda Theertha Swamiji, Bhanuprakash Sharma, MLA T.S. Srivatsa, industrialist Mahesh Shenoy, Vice-President of Brahmana Mahasabha B.R. Nataraj Jois, social worker Dr. K. Raghuram Vajpayee, Datta Sene President R.N. Sathyanarayan, Secretary Murali, President of Arivu Samsthe H.N. Srikanth Kashyap and President of Amara Vipra Balaga Rajkumar were present.

WORD OF THE DAY

Nebula

Pronunciation: NEB-yuh-luh (noun)
Meaning: A nebula is a large cloud of interstellar gas or dust. In non-technical use, the word nebula also refers to a galaxy other than the Milky Way.
Origin: The history of nebula belongs not to the mists of time but to the mists of Latin: in that language nebula means "mist" or "cloud." In its earliest English uses in the 1600s, nebula was chiefly a medical term that could refer either to a cloudy formation in urine or to a cloudy speck or film on the eye. Nebula was first applied to great interstellar clouds of gas and dust in the early 1700s. The adjective nebulous comes from the same Latin root as nebula, and it is considerably older, being first used as a synonym of cloudy or foggy as early as the 1300s. Like nebula, this adjective was not used in an astronomical sense until centuries later.
Example: "Like clouds, the shapes of our galaxy's glittery nebulae are sometimes in the eye of the beholder. They can look like all sorts of animals: tarantulas, crabs, a running chicken, and now, a cosmic koi swimming through space." — Laura Baisas, PopSci.com, 13 June 2024

THE ODD WORD

Napoo

To destroy; to kill.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

No thanks to you

Meaning: The phrase 'No thanks to you' means I cannot thank you for what happened, because you did not cause it.
Origin: No one really knows the origin of phrase 'No thanks to you.' This somewhat rude statement may have been in use for more than one hundred years, or it may be relatively new; what is known however is that word 'thanks,' meaning gratitude, has been in use since the middle of 13th century. It was used as a shortened form of 'I give you thanks' ever since 1580s.
Example: Jane: "It looks like the picnic wasn't ruined despite the fact that I forgot the potato salad." Mary: "Yes, it was okay. No thanks to you, of course."

QUOTE BOX

Express gratitude for the greatness of small things.—**Richie Norton**

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

QUITE

Answer: Quite right.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 Internet Relay Chat, acronym?
4 A witty remark; as in, "bon ___ "?
7 NW US state
9 Aircraft Communications Addressing & Reporting Sys.
12 Catchword or motto
13 Shakespeare's Taming Of The ____
14 Pontius __: Governor of Judea during crucifixion of Christ?
15 Make a trip
17 An affirmative answer
18 Delete or rub out
20 Name for a girl or of a famous mountain
21 Apply paint, etc. in a rather patchy manner?
22 French preposition
23 Compensates, pays for services or goods
27 Financial institution
28 Domesticated
29 Mar follower
30 Change of "issue" for a girl?
32 __ Francisco : river of Brazil?
35 Disorderly lout
37 Seize quickly
39 Performing
40 Turn of phrase
41 ___ deaf : totally deaf?
42 Fibrous connection conveying impulses to and fro the brain
43 Causing sorrow
44 Colouring agent

DOWN

1 Images or icons
2 Indian music form
3 French castle
4 Sailing ship's supports
5 Coloured earth
6 Scarlett's home
7 Tennis star Nastase
8 Just a single on cricket field (3,3)
10 Reactivate or revitalize
11 Some of the Scandinavians
12 Engage in espionage
16 Resinous deposit
19 Helps a felon
21 Karunanidhi's party
22 Had a meal
23 Part or parts of a river where currents run very swiftly?
24 Implant deeply
25 Dried grape
26 Corrected
27 A solid & long piece of metal?
30 Ayrton ____ : Legendary F1 driver alas no more
31 Advocated
32 Cooker
33 Culmination
34 Surprised reactions?
36 Pedro's uncles - "Otis" changed?
38 Lively or flippant

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

S	H	E	■	A	T	O	P	■	■	Z	E	D
T	O	P	■	N	O	V	A	K	■	I	R	E
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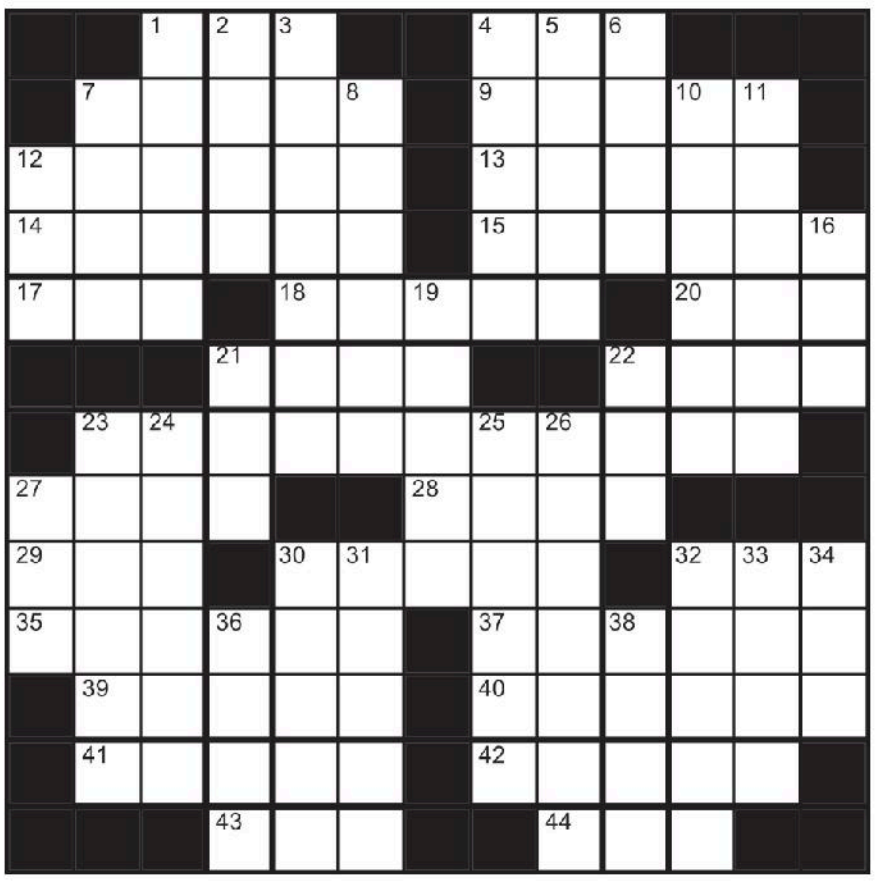

SUDOKU

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	6	7				1	3	
			6				8	4
							7	
	5	3	2					6
		9			5			3

Answer to previous puzzle

5	1	7	4	8	6	9	3	2
9	3	2	5	7	1	4	6	8
4	6	8	3	2	9	1	5	7
7	9	1	6	5	8	3	2	4
8	5	4	7	3	2	6	1	9
3	2	6	9	1	4	7	8	5
6	8	3	2	4	7	5	9	1
1	4	9	8	6	5	2	7	3
2	7	5	1	9	3	8	4	6

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

Z VZF'D XGGL DKQMRI HG JRZFLGI AF KAD BQMFLSU,

HML KAD GUGD DKQMRI DMSCGU LKG YQSRI.

TODAY'S CLUE: K EQUALS H

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: The closed mind, if closed long enough, can be opened by nothing short of dynamite.

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Shalivahana Shakhe (K)	(S-1)	1.05 pm
Ibbani Tabbida Ileyali (K)	(S-1)	4 pm
ARM (Ma-3D)	(S-1)	7.05 pm
Krishnam Pranaya Sakhi (K)	(S-1)	9.55 pm
Kaalapatthar (K)	(S-2)	11.10 am
Stree 2 (H)	(S-2)	1.35 pm
Kaljiga (K)	(S-2)	4.35 pm
Kondal (Ma)	(S-2)	9.55 pm
Ronny (K)	(S-3)	10.45 am, 1.45 pm
Anna (K)	(S-3)	4.45 pm
Laughing Buddha (K)	(S-3)	7.20 pm
Kishkindha Kaandam (Ma)	(S-3)	10 pm
The Greatest of All Time (Ta)	(S-4)	10.15 am, 6.45 pm, 10.10 pm
Vikaasaparva (K)	(S-4)	1.40 pm
Utsavam (Te)	(S-4)	4 pm

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The Greatest of All Time (Ta)	(S-1)	10.25 am, 9.30 pm
	(S-3)	6.15 pm
Ronny (K)	(S-1)	1.45 pm; (S-4) 6.40 pm
Kaalapatthar (K)	(S-1)	4.35 pm; (S-2) 10.20 am
Mathu Vadalara 2 (Te)	(S-1)	6.50 pm
Ibbani Thabbida Ileyali (K)	(S-2)	12.35 pm, 6.45 pm
	(S-3)	10.45 am
Krishnam Pranaya Sakhi (K)	(S-2)	3.40 pm
A.R.M (Ma-3D)	(S-2)	9.50 pm; (S-3) 3.20 pm
Kalinga (Te)	(S-3)	9.35 pm; (S-4) 4.25 pm
Shalivahana Shakhe (K)	(S-4)	10.40 am
Krishnam Pranaya Sakhi (K)	(S-4)	1.20 pm
Utsavam (Te)	(S-4)	9.30 pm

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Vikaasaparva (K)	:	10.15 am
Ibbani Tabbida Ileyali (K)	:	12 noon, 6.10 pm
Krishnam Pranaya Sakhi (K)	:	12.10 pm
Utsavam (Te)	:	12.30 pm
Bhale Unnade (Te)	:	12.50 pm
A.R.M (Ma-3D)	:	1.20 pm, 7.05 pm
A.R.M (K-2D)	:	3.30 pm
Kishkindha Kaandam (Ma)	:	3.20 pm
Tumbbad (H)	:	3.35 pm
Mathu Vadalara 2 (Te)	:	3.50 pm, 10 pm
Ronny (K)	:	6.05 pm
Stree 2 (H)	:	6.40 pm
Bad Boyz (Ma)	:	6.50 pm
Veer Zaara (H)	:	9.30 pm
Speak No Evil (E)	:	9.50 pm
Kondal (Ma)	:	10.15 pm

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Mathu Vadalara 2 (Te)	:	11.15 am, 6.30 pm
Krishnam Pranaya Sakhi (K)	:	12 noon
A.R.M (K-2D)	:	12.10 pm
A.R.M (H-2D)	:	3.20 pm
A.R.M (Ma-3D)	:	9.45 pm
Ronny (K)	:	1.30 pm
The Greatest of All Time (Ta)	:	2.15 pm, 6 pm, 9.30 pm
Utsavam (Te)	:	3.25 pm
Kaljiga (K)	:	4.40 pm
Tumbbad (H)	:	6.25 pm
Shalivahana Shakhe (K)	:	7.15 pm
Bombay to Goa (1972) (H)	:	9 pm
Kaalapatthar (K)	:	10.15 pm

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Ronny (K)	:	10 am, 4.10 pm
Krishnam Pranaya Sakhi (K)	:	11.15 am, 6.25 pm
The Greatest of All Time (Ta)	:	11.20 am, 2.35 pm, 9.30 pm
Stree 2 (H)	:	12.50 pm, 7.10 pm
Mathu Vadalara 2 (Te)	:	1.10 pm, 10.30 pm
Ibbani Tabbida Ileyali (K)	:	3.05 pm, 9.45 pm
Kondal (Ma)	:	7.20 pm

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Mathu Vadalara 2 (Te)	:	10 am, 10 pm
The Greatest of All Time (Ta)	:	10.15 am, 2 pm, 5.45 pm
Daasappa (K)	:	10.40 am
Stree 2 (H)	:	10.45 am, 4.10 pm
A.R.M (Ma-3D)	:	1 pm, 10.30 pm
A.R.M (K-2D)	:	7.20 pm
Kishkindha Kaandam (Ma)	:	1.15 pm
Kaalapatthar (K)	:	1.55 pm
Shalivahana Shakhe (K)	:	4 pm
Laughing Buddha (K)	:	4.30 pm
Ronny (K)	:	6.50 pm
Kaljiga (K)	:	7.25 pm
Kondal (Ma)	:	9.30 pm
Bad Boyz (Ma)	:	10 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there is no minimum audience of 15.

EVENTS TODAY (SEPT. 17)

- **Ramsons Kala Pratishtana (RKP), Mysuru:** 20th Edition of Bombe Mane — Display of exquisite dolls from across India, Ramsons Bombe Mane, No. 91, 1st Floor, above Aamrapali Saree Store, Nazarbad Main Road, **up to 7 pm.**
- **Mysore District Athletic Association and Department of Youth Empowerment and Sports (DYES):** Valedictory of 4-day Karnataka State Inter-District Junior and U-23 Athletic Meet, Chamundi Vihar Stadium, Nazarbad, **4 pm.**
- **Sri Prasanna Vidya Ganapathi Mandali Charitable (SPVGMC) Trust, Mysuru:** Heritage Music Festival, Ranga Geethagalu by Vid. Kiragasur Rajappa and troupe, **5.30 pm;** Violin Duet by Vidu. Akkarai Sisters (Akkarai Subhulakshmi and Akkarai Sornalatha), accompanied by Vid. Sumesh Narayanan on mridanga and Vid. Shree Sundarkumar on kanjira, 8th Cross Ganesha Pandal, VV Mohalla, **6.45 pm.**
- **Uttaradi Mutt, Srirampura:** Anantapadmanahba Vrata, Sampoorna Bhagavatha Pravachana (Discourse) by Vedic Scholar Pandit Purushottamacharya Purohit, Sri Venkateshwara Dhyana Kendra, Uttaradi Mutt premises, Srirampura, **6 pm to 7 pm.** [Mob: 81472-05326]
- **Sri Avadhoota Datta Peetham and Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashram:** 21st Chaturmasya Vrata Deeksha by junior pontiff Sri Datta Vijayananda Teertha Swamiji, Chaturmasya Discourse on Sri Brahmanda Purana, Universal Prayer Hall, Ashram premises, **6.30 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (SEPT. 18)

- **Sri Avadhoota Datta Peetham and Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashram:** 21st Chaturmasya Vrata Deeksha by junior pontiff Sri Datta Vijayananda Teertha Swamiji, Srichakra Puja, Maha Ganapathy Homa, Kumkumarchana, **9 am;** Chaturmasya Discourse on Sri Brahmanda Purana, Universal Prayer Hall, Ashram premises, **6.30 pm.**
- **Ramsons Kala Pratishtana (RKP), Mysuru:** 20th Edition of Bombe Mane — Display of exquisite dolls from across India, Ramsons Bombe Mane, No. 91, 1st Floor, above Aamrapali Saree Store, Nazarbad Main Road, **10 am to 7 pm.**
- **Department of Biochemistry and Department of Pathology, JSS Medical College & JSS Hospital, Mysuru - JSS Academy of Higher Education and Research, Mysuru:** Inauguration of JSS Biorepository Centre, Dr. Rakesh Mishra, Director, Tata Institute of Genetics and Society (TIGS), Bengaluru, chief guest, Dr. B. Suresh, Pro-Chancellor, JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research, Mysuru and Dr. Surinder Singh, Vice-Chancellor, JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research, Mysuru, guests of honour, Dr. C.G. Betsurmath, Executive Secretary, JSS Mahavidyapeetha, Mysuru, presides, Department of Pathology, JSS Hospital, M.G. Road, **10.15 am;** Special Lecture by Dr. Rakesh Mishra, Director, Tata Institute of Genetics and Society (TIGS), Bengaluru, Sri Rajendra Centenary Auditorium, JSS Hospital premises, **11.40 am.**
- **Sri Prasanna Vidya Ganapathi Mandali Charitable (SPVGMC) Trust, Mysuru:** Heritage Music Festival, Mass Tabla recital by Vid. Bhimashankar Bidanur and students, **5 pm;** Felicitation to T.M. Krishna on being selected for Sangeetha Kalanidhi 2024, **6 pm;** Vocal Concert by Vid. T.M. Krishna, accompanied by Vidu. Akkarai Subhulakshmi on violin, Vid. Sumesh Narayanan on mridanga and Vidu. Sukanya Ramgopal on ghata, 8th Cross Ganesha Pandal, VV Mohalla, **6.45 pm.**
- **Uttaradi Mutt, Srirampura:** Vasudeva Mantra Homa, Sampoorna Bhagavatha Pravachana (Discourse) by Vedic Scholar Pandit Purushottamacharya Purohit, Sri Venkateshwara Dhyana Kendra, Uttaradi Mutt premises, Srirampura, **6 pm to 7 pm.** [Mob: 81472-05326]
- **Suttur Mutt, Mysuru Branch:** Moonlight Music Programme-271, vocal concert by Vidu. Paavani Bharadwaj, accompanied by Vid. Rupanagudi Ratna Teja on violin, Vid. H.L. Shivashankar Swamy on mridanga and Vid. M.S. Jayaram on ghata, Mutt premises, foot of Chamundi Hill, **6 pm.**

'Soppina Mela'

Mysuru, Sept. 17- A 'Soppina Mela' and Cooking Competition have been organised at Nanjaraja Bahaddur Choultry in city on Sept. 21 and Sept. 22.

The event is organised under the joint aegis of Sahaja Samrudha - Organic Farmers Association and Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR), JSS Krishi Vignana Kendra.

Those interested to participate in the cooking competition may register their names by calling Mob: 98809-08608 or 94821-15495, according to a press release from Sahaja Samrudha Director G. Krishna Prasad.

National Symposium on 'Women's Safety'

Mysuru, Sept. 17- Muralidhar Bhagavat Charitable Foundation & Veeravratam Foundation have organised a National Symposium & Interactive Session on "Women's Safety at Work" at the Department of Tourism Auditorium, Pooja Bhagavat Memorial Mahajana Post Graduate Centre, KRS Road, Metagalli, on Sept. 18 from 9.45 am to 1 pm.

Vijaya Bharathi Sayani, Chairman, National Human Rights Commission, New Delhi, Ajay Bhatnagar, Director General (Investigation), National Human Rights Commission, New Delhi and Joginder Singh, Registrar (Law), National Human Rights Commission, New Delhi, are the distinguished guests attending the Symposium.

This Symposium aims to address the critical issue of women's safety in the workplace, exploring current challenges, legal frameworks and strategies for creating a safer work environment for women across India.

Some of Mysuru's prominent women and those who have played a significant role in empowerment and gender equality initiatives have been invited to be a part of this Symposium-cum-Interaction.

The event is by invitation only. For further details, contact Mob: 98800-55606.

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Sd/-A. Nizamuddin

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